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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE-RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
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For: CHEMICAL CONVERSION COATING  
AGENT AND SURFACE-TREATED METAL

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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated November 28, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.